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Mahatma Visits Scenes Of Bombay Fire

Standing inside the barbed-wire fencing Mahatma Gandhi greets with folded hands the huge crowds on the Juhu sands at prayer time.

MAHATMA HAS GOOD REST

The Health Eulletin issued by Dr. M. D. D. Gilder and Dr. Miss Sushila Nair, says, "Gandhiji had good rest yesterday. There is nothing fresh to report.

Lady Thackersey, Gandhiji's hostess at Poona, visited him at Juhu last evening. A Brahmin after offering prayers for the speedy recovery of Gandhiji offered a copy of "Bhagvat Gita" and a piece of gold to Gandhiji last evening.

Mr. Gopichand Bhargava, leader of the Congress Party in the Punjab Legislative Assembly called at "Gandhi-Gram" in the afternoon and saw Mrs. Sarojini Naidu.

EDITORS' LETTER TO VICEROY

LONDON, May 18.

Raising the question of Indian Newspaper Editors' letter to the Viceroy calling for the leaders' release and a settlement of the Indian problem Mr. Sorensen asked Mr. Amery in the Commons:

"Is it appreciated that these editors represent various schools of political thought, and therefore their representations should be taken into account?"

Mr. Amery: "Yes, and the Viceroy did so."—

DEEPLY TOUCHED BY SIGHT OF TRAGEDY

Port Trust Chief Shows Him Round Affected Area

GANDHIJI CALLS ON AILING PAKVASA

BOMBAY, Friday.

For the first time, during his 9 days' stay in the city, Mahatma Gandhi moved out of the picturesque estate at Juhu which nestles his little shack on an unexpected programme of visit to the area devastated by the explosion and fires of April 14.

SILENT TOUR

Seated in a roomy car by the side of two doctors Miss Sushila Nayar and Dr. M. D. D. Gilder and escorted by a party of 14, including the Mayor of Bombay, Gandhiji left "Gandhi-Gram" at 3-45 p. m. on this visit which he had planned since his release but which was being delayed for reasons of health. It was a silent visit to the area which has seen the suffering of thousands of Bombay's citizens, silent in the sense that Gandhiji never asked any questions, even by means of the written word which he sometimes resorts to these days, during his period of silence. According to those who observed him for over half an hour that he was in the area, Gandhiji's heart seemed to bleed for the victims of the tragedy. He was all the time seated in the car, with a serious face, while the party reconnoitred the docks and the civilian area with a maze of bye-lanes strewn with rubble. With his characteristic eagerness for detail, Gandhiji sat with an alert mind while the Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust, Sir B. Rama Rau, who got into his car in the dock area, explained some of the aspects of the tragedy. Gandhiji returned to his shack at about 6-20 p. m., after being away from "Gandhi Gram" for over two hours.

HIS CONCERN

The details of this visit seemed to have been worked out by Mr. Shantikumar Morarji and Mr. S. M. Pandya of the Scindia's on Thursday, after a reconnaissance of the area by a "scout party." The Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust was rung up earlier for permission. Sir B. Rama Rau, according to the plan, was to meet Gandhiji and party at 5 p. m. at the Dock.

The origin of the plan of visit to the devastated area goes back to the day of Gandhiji's release when he expressed a keen desire to see things for himself. From time to time he is reported to have given expression to a keen sense of concern for those who had been affected by the tragedy and asked his attendants to let him go and see. But the doctors were firm and even the permission to-day was "given reluctantly" as Pyarelal, Gandhiji's Secretary, explained to the press. The permission was given in view of Gandhiji's persistently strong desire to see the aftermath of the explosion and fires. The time of the visit was fixed only yesterday, at short notice.

Four cars which conveyed the party to the scene slipped out of the ivy-covered gate of "Madhu Bun", the Western point of "Gandhi-Gram" at 3-45 p. m unnoticed by the straggling visitors to the estate. The pilot car with those who had drawn up a plan for the visit was immediately followed by Gandhiji's car. The Mayor, Mr. Nagindas Master, Dr. Miss Sushila Nayar and Dr. M. D. D. Gilder were Gandhiji's co-passengers. Two more cars served as trailers. As the party journeyed down the smooth roads of the city, a pedestrian or two would suddenly halt on seeing Gandhiji and join their palms in "namaskar." But by the very secrecy of the plan, Gandhiji hardly attracted any notice even in the affected area.

The Port Trust Chief who expected Gandhiji at 5 p. m. at the Dock was taken by surprise when he saw the party already there when he arrived.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS WATCH HIM

Being a stickler for punctuality, Gandhiji did not mind waiting for Sir B. Rama Rau for full 15 minutes. Dr. Gilder moved out of Gandhiji's car at the docks to accommodate Sir B. Rama Rau. Soldiers and sailors working at the docks watched Gandhiji attentively while the car moved down slowly, halting at intervals. The leave-taking from the dock area was a silent one, Gandhiji giving a "namaskar" to the Port Trust Chief.

Gandhiji walked back into his shack in time for his evening meal. The prayers were well attended, members of the ruling family of Wankaner squatting on the ground by the side of Gandhiji's dais.

One of the visitors to Gandhiji to-day was Pandit Shivatkumar, Ayurvedic physician, who had treated Kasturba for some time. He discussed with Dr. Miss Sushila Nayar the details of Gandhiji's health and prescribed some Ayurvedic treatment. Gandhiji listened to him patiently and conveyed in the end that he must think over the matter.

MAHATMA'S SURPRISE FOR PAKVASA

Lying ill at his residence at the Napean Sea Road, Mr. Mangaldas M. Pakvasa, President of the Bombay Legislative Council, had a surprise visitor to-day in Gandhiji who turned up, like someone in a dream and settled down by his bedside without ceremony. It was a late hour in the afternoon.

"I wish to call on you sometime, Bapu" said Mr. Pakvasa, greatly touched.

Like a strict parent who chides a naughty child, Gandhiji replied in a note:—"But I will not permit you to see me until you are well".

Gandhiji was on his way back to Juhu after his visit to the dock area. He left after twenty minutes.

Amery On Publication Of Gandhiji-Linlithgow Correspondence

At question time in the Commons on Thursday, Mr. Sorensen asked Mr. Amery whether the correspondence between Mr. Gandhi and the Government of India could now be released or if there was any objection to its publication by Mr. Gandhi.

Mr. Amery: The correspondence between Mr. Gandhi and the Governor-General prior to Mr. Gandhi's fast has already been published. I am not aware of any intention to publish subsequent letters but the matter would in any case be one for the Governor-General and his Council to decide.

Mr. Sorensen: As the matter has been brought up before previous permission to publish, in all circumstances would it not be wise to find out from the correspondence what took place?

Mr. Amery: If he will study the answer, he will find that it also answers this supplementary question.

AIR OFFENSIVE CONTINUES

Berlin And Brunswick Area Attacked: Raids On Northern Front

LONDON, May 19.

Strong forces of United States Liberators and Fortresses to-day attacked targets in Berlin and Brunswick area, it is officially announced. Thunderbolts, Lightnings and Mustangs provided a strong escort.

It was disclosed earlier that small formations of Mosquitos and Typhoon fighter bombers attacked military objectives in Northern France this morning.

Bengal Assembly

ADJOURNMENT ON DACCA RIOT SITUATION LOST

Peace Committee Formed In Affected Area: Premier On Scene

CALCUTTA, May 19.

After nearly two hours debate an adjournment motion to discuss, "the failure of Government to prevent the recrudescence of disturbance in the city of Dacca" was lost without division in the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day.

In the absence of the Chief Minister (who is also the Home Minister), who has gone to Dacca, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, Minister for Civil Supplies, replying to the debate on behalf of the Government, said that from the point of view of taking preventive steps all that was possible had been done. He suggested that Hindus and Muslims of good will should meet together and make a fervent appeal to the people that they should cease attacking each other and should feel that whatever might be the political situation the people of this province were one and brothers.—A. P.

Two More Cases Of Stabbing

DACCA, May 19: Two cases of stabbing have been reported this morning. One person was stabbed while making purchases at a grocer's shop on Abul Khairat Road, at the Training College Gate, another was stabbed in Narindra area.

One more injured person died in hospital last evening.

The total number of persons killed since the beginning of the disturbances on May 14 is now 14 while the injured number 30.

Arrests in connection with the disturbances now number about hundred. Shops generally continue closed.—A. P.

GERMAN RAIDS ON UKRAINEAN RAILWAY LINES

LONDON, May 19.

The German news agency D. N. B. military correspondent, Col. Ernst Von Hammer, said to-day that German bomber formations carried out raids on the important railway junction of Kovel.

Reuter adds that its capture has never been claimed by Moscow though Berlin reported at one time that the German garrison there had been surrounded.

Later, the German news agency corrected its previous statement that Kovel had been raided and said raids were carried out on "the main railway lines of Northern Ukraine leading to Kovel".

GERMAN TRANSPORT SUNK.

MOSCOW, May 19: To-night's Soviet "communique" says that northwest of Tiraspol the German made a bid to recapture positions they lost the previous day. Their infantry and tanks met artillery mortar and machine-gun fire and retreated.

All further attacks were fruitless. South-east of Stanislavov the Russians attacked and occupied an important height. The Baltic fleet air arm sank a German transport of 3,000 tons.—Reuter.

Service In Ship Ordinance

NEW DELHI, May 19.—The Central Government has promulgated the Service in Ships (Requisition) Ordinance under which the authorised officer will have powers to direct that British Seamen domiciled in the United Kingdom and for the time being in British India will serve in British ships registered in the United Kingdom. Contravention of the direction will be an offence punishable with imprisonment which may extend to two years or with fine or both.—United Press.

Solution Of Yugoslav Problem

LONDON, May 19: A solution of dangerous and long-drawn Yugoslav political crisis is at hand, says Reuter's Continental observer.

I understand it will be on the following lines: The Puritch Government will be dismissed. No new Government will be formed. "A working committee" of three men will be formed. These three will represent the three major nations—Serbs, Croats and Slove — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

WINDSOR'S RESIGNATION

LONDON, May 19: A Colonial Office spokesman told Reuter to-night: "We have no knowledge of the matter whatever" when asked to comment on the "New York Post" message from Washington which said that the Duke of Windsor had resigned his post as Governor of the Bahamas.—Reuter.

ALLIES OCCUPY PIGNATARO

LIRI VALLEY, May 19: The town of Pignataro, on the apex of the "Liri Horseshoe", was taken by a battalion of the Frontier Force, writes an Indian Army observer.—Reuter.

AMERICA AND WORLD TRADE

WASHINGTON, May 19.

"International trade must be an integral part of our future economy," writes the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Jesseph Jones in the Foreign Commerce weekly—official journal of the Department of Commerce.

"For sustained prosperity, good of our high productive capacity must spread beyond our shores and we in turn must buy from our foreign customers". Mr. Jones says. He reveals that the total export shipment for January and February this year increased by about fifty per cent compared with the same months in 1943. Imports in these two months rose by 35 per cent over last year.

Commenting on post-war foreign trade Mr. Jones declares: "We must open up new channels of trade that will flow in as they flow out. We must do these things because it has been clearly demonstrated to us that we are not a self-sufficient nation."—Reuter.

Germans Thrown In Disorderly Retreat

French Troops & American Tanks Break Into Hitler Line Fortifications

NEW YORK, May 19.

French troops and American tanks have broken into the Hitler Line fortifications, according to an Associated Press Correspondent with the Fifth Army, before Sant Oliva.

An Allied High Command officer declared to-day that American and French blows had forced the Germans into a "disorderly retreat instead of a mere withdrawal" to their present lines in Italy.

Nazis On Allied Attacks

BERLIN, May 19: To-day's German 'communique' stated that heavy fighting continues on the southern Italian front, especially in the sector west and north-west of Esperia and at Pontecorvo.

The German Transocean News Agency to-day quoted a German High Command spokesman as saying that the advancing Allied forces in Italy "have again caught up with the German troops that were withdrawn to new positions."

The spokesman said the Allies reopened attacks with a concentrated artillery barrage and an almost unequalled use of tanks and combat planes. "The violence of the Allied artillery barrage was reminiscent of the last world war", he said.

ALLIED HQ. ITALY, May 19.

Marshal Kesselring's defences are showing noticeable loosening up to-day and the Eighth Army are exploiting their gains to the maximum.

To-day's Allied communique says: Following the capture of Cassino, the Eighth Army has been quick to exploit its successes and has pressed the enemy vigorously back against the Adolf Hitler Line. French and American troops of the Fifth Army have continued their drive across the mountains south of the Liri River and are now in contact with the enemy on the hill features which constitute the southern bastion of the line."

IN LIRI VALLEY

Abdul Khalek Quereshi, special correspondent of the Associated Press of India with Indian troops in Italy writes: Poles are hitting the Hitler Line stronghold of Pied Monte from a mountain pass to the north-east. In the Liri Valley British and Canadian troops and armour have extended the frontline airport five miles west of Cassino.

On the other side of the Liri Valley French troops have made significant gains working up the slopes of the Hitler Line to the bastions of Monte Doro and Monte San Mario from which place the Allies have direct observation of the entire Liri Valley and the town of Ponte Corvo.

Resistance in Cassio to the joint British—New Zealand attack ceased at 14-30 on Thursday.

Polish armour is now disclosed as supporting Polish infantry in the hills north of Highway Six. In cutting this main line of German retreat, New Zealand armour also played a part on Wednesday. Polish troops entered the demolished Abbey at 10-15 hours on Thursday.

POLES NEARING HITLER LINE

Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters cables:

Polish troops fighting in the mountains north of the Rome Road are only one and a half miles from the Hitler Line town of Pied Monte. British and Canadians with tank support driving methodically up the Liri Valley are extending their frontline generally south of Aquino airport and some five miles beyond their Rapido river starting line.

American troops, pushing past Formia, are now poised before Itri. The Germans are unsuccessfully trying to block the Appian Way by hill-emplaced artillery. The spearhead threatening Itri is advancing across trackless mountain terrain northwards from the coast.

VANTAGE POINTS CAPTURED

Among important vantage points captured by French and Americans in their advance is the 3,700 foot Monte Faggeto overlooking the Itri-Pico Road. Its capture represents a crowflight advance of seventeen miles from the start of the offensive. The village of Monticelli was captured yesterday and the spearhead is approaching Santa Oliva, the strongpoint of the Hitler Line. French troops are working up the slopes of Monte Doro, the forward bastion of the Hitler Line, after seizing Monte San Mario which overlooks Ponte Corvo and the Liri river.

Rumanian Oilfield Region Bombed

The Bucharest radio this morning broadcast a Rumanian high Command "communique" stating that an Anglo-American airforce yesterday bombed the oilfield region.

It added there were no substantial changes on the land fronts.—Reuter.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (July)

New York, May 19.

Previous Closing	20.69
Today's Opening	20.69
Difference	Nil
Today's Closing	20.66
Difference	—03

SMUTS ON TASKS BEFORE ALLIES

"All Three Fronts Are But One And Should Be Viewed As A Whole"

BIRMINGHAM, May 19.

The issue of the great battle for Europe may not be decided by coming operations in west or by either attacks from the Mediterranean and the Russian fronts, but by all three combined said General Smuts here to-day on the occasion of the presentation to him of the Freedom of the City of Birmingham.

General Smuts took the opportunity to clarify the military tasks that lay ahead of the Allies before Germany and Japan could be defeated. "It would be a serious mistake to concentrate all our attention and our hopes for victory on the coming western front, forgetting that all three fronts are but one and should be viewed as a whole", he said.

In his references to the war against Japan, General Smuts said that he was "inclined to be more optimistic than many others" about its duration and forecast that Japan would eventually have to "surrender or starve and burn to death."—Reuter.

Loyang Still In Chinese Hands

CHUNGKING, May 18: The Old city of Loyang on the Lunghai railway in Honan Province is apparently still in Chinese hands, according to frontline dispatches received to-night.—Reuter.

SOURABAYA BOMBED

ALLIED HQ. Newguninea, May 19. The Japanese controlled Batavia radio reports to-day that Sourabaya, the main Japanese base in the Netherlands East Indies has been heavily bombed.

U. S. Troops Nearing Wadke Island

Allied Hq. South-west Pacific, May 19: American troops have reached the edge of a vital airfield at Wadke island, 150 miles west or Humboldt Bay in Hollandia and are coming up against stiff resistance from Japanese mortars.

Allied casualties at Wadke and Arara total 4 dead and 32 wounded to date. The Japanese have lost 30 dead so far.—Reuter.

LARGEST FORWARD BASE IN PACIFIC

CANBERRA, (By Cable): U.S. Army engineers in New Guinea have constructed in the last four months one of the largest forward military bases in the Pacific theatre of war, says the Sydney 'Morning Herald's' correspondent, Edward Axford, who recently returned from New Guinea. He adds:

The mass of men and machines employed in building it is one of the many heartening omens for victory. This base has more stores, warehouses, workshops, field cinemas and churches than many cities. Its main street is about ten miles long, and on it every minute of the day passes an endless stream of motor traffic travelling in both directions—hundreds of 2-1/2 and 3-1/2-ton trucks, trailers, jeeps and cars. It means that the Japanese, however, stubbornly they fight, will be overwhelmed by the sheer weight of our mechanical equipment. Six months ago trans-ocean freighters would have had discharged cargoes at the Australian ports for transhipment in New Guinea. Today some sail direct across the Pacific without touching the mainland port. This means a four-fold speed-up in the deliveries of seaborne supplies.

In size and importance this large jungle city surpasses the older New Guinea bases of Port Moresby, Milne Bay and Buna, though it by no means supersedes them. This base has been built so far north that it is within enemy bombing range, but although the Japanese are well aware of its location and fully appreciate its threat to their far eastern defences, they have not succeeded in dropping a single bomb on it for over two months.

Hurs Cut Nara Canal

KARACHI, May 19: It is learnt that some time during this week a Hur gang made a cut in the Nara Canal, one of the main canals of the Sukkur Barrage system. No damage was, however, done to cultivation as the water flowed down into the desert area. The cut has since been closed.—A. P.

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1944
UNTIL MAHATMA GANDHI
ACCEPTS MY FRUITS I WON'T EAT

While the entire crowd of citizens which had trudged to Juhu was being kept at an arm's length from the residence of Gandhiji twelve year old Dattatraya Deshkar had his way in sneaking into the shack with a bag of fruits for Gandhiji.

When a Volunteer at the gate said "No Outsiders Please" Dattatraya turned round with a cool reply "I will not have my food until I give these fruits to Bapuji" and eventually he succeeded in seeing Bapuji.

—Newspaper report,
Friday May 12th.

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UNTIL LORD VITHAL VISITS
OUR GARDEN I WON'T EAT

—While the pilgrims thronged at Pandharpur, at Arangaon, Nagu, Savanta Mali's six year old daughter who had sent a message to Lord Vithal to visit their place resolved "I won't eat until Lord Vithal gives me Dharshan."

Great saints Dnyandeo and Namdeo tried to dissuade her but failed, and in the end she succeeded in her resolve.

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INFORMATION FILMS 'SHOOT' GANDHIJI

Why Continue Ban On His Pictures In Other Films Now?

Maya Banerji and Ishwarlal in 'Manorama' coming shortly.

By T. V. P.

Ranjit's "Bansari" starring Ishwarlal and Shamim and featuring Charlie, Dixit and Urmila was released yesterday at Royal Opera House There is nothing particularly noteworthy or new about 'Bansari,' but all the tried stars put over good performances and the photography and sound are not unsatisfactory.

What arrested the attention of the crowds at the shows of "Bansari" was the shots of Gandhiji's release and journey back to Bombay from the Aga Khan Palace. Information Films have released these full size pictures of Gandhiji with huge crowds about him. Naturally there arose spontaneous cheers from among the audience. How to square up this activity on the part of the Information and Broadcasting Department of the Government of India with the ban on Gandhiji's pictures in some of the films that were recently totally banned or cut? "Naya Tarana" and "Apna Ghar" are two of such instances.

SOME COMING FILMS

Rajlakshmi's "Kalidas" is the next release at Krishna on Friday next. It has Pahari Sanyal in the title role and Snehaprabha and Vanmala are featured in it. Sudhir Sen has directed this picture. It is the life story of India's greatest ancient poet who wrote 'Shakuntala.'

Jayant Desai's 'Manorama' is the next change at West End. Leela Chitnis and Ishwarlal are costarred in it. Mubarak, Maya Banerji and Charlie are in featured roles. It is expected to be a great humorous hit, coming as it does from the drector of 'Zabaan' now running in the fourth week at Lamington to crowded houses, with Dixit, Kaushalya and Ishwarlal in it.

Harish and Vanmala in 'Kadambari' at Roxy.

LAST WEEK'S RELEASES

"Kadambari" released last week at Roxy exceeded in its first week's collections even those of "Kismet" and "Taqdeer". The figures respectively of "Kadambari", "Taqdeer" and "Kismet" are Rs. 28,000, Rs. 26,000 and Rs. 22,000.

To Bombay Talkies fans there is nothing new in "Char Ankhen" at Imperial. It is like any other of their stories. Leela Chitnis is imperceptibly but positively shedding her glamour. Her acting, however, is up to her old standard. Bombay Talkies films never leave anything to be desired in respect of laboratory polish to their photography and sound, so is the case in "Char Ankhen."

"Soonbai" at Central once more presents Bhai G. Pendharkar as the defender of the good points of the old, aristocratic, conservative culture of the Mahrattas. This social is as impressive as his historicals and saint films.

"Police" at Capitol is growing in its popularity every day because of the good work of Ratnamala, Prem Adib and Jeevan. Director Shantikumar has done a good piece of work for Prakash.

"SHUKRIYA" AT WEST END

The competition of half a dozen new releases all around is not said to be affecting the drawing power of 'Shukriya' at New West End, now in the sixth week. Ramola's scintillating performance as a sophisticated city Miss continues to find favour with the fans.

'Pattharonka Saudagar" at Minerva is purposeful entertainment. "Mali" at Novelty is quite popular and "Shakuntala" at Swastik is still drawing crowds in the midst of so many new pictures in the 37th week.

For the music direction of "Chal Chal re Naujavan", filmistan have secured Ghulam Haidar, by courtesy of Mehboob Productions. With Pradeep composing the songs and Ghulam Haider composing the tunes, "Chal Chal re Naujavan" bids fair to be a musical treat.

ABID ALI AND SHARMA RELEASED

Externment Order On Released A. I. C. C. Member From Madura

Mr. R P. Iyer, A.I.C.C. member from Madura, who was detained in Nasik Central Prison, was released on Friday and an order was served on him to leave the Bombay Province within 48 hours and not to re-enter it without the permission of the Home Secretary of the Bombay Government.

It is learnt that Mr. R. P. Iyer who was in the City and is leaving Bombay Province intends to contest the externment order.

CITY CONGRESSMEN RELEASED

Messrs. Abid Ali Jafferonay, Vimal Sharma and B. G. Joshi, who were detenus, have also been released from Nasik Central Prison on Friday.

T. R. NARAVANE RELEASED

Dr. T R Naravane, the G O C, of the Bombay Seva Dal and the Municipal Councillor who was arrested on Aug. 9, 1942, was released unconditionally on Friday morning from Arthur Road Prison.

250 DETENUS STILL IN MADRAS JAILS

MADRAS, May 19: Eight more detenus were released from the Tanjore Central Jail yesterday. It is officially estimated that there would still remain 250 detenus in custody in the Province, after the examination of the cases recommended by the Revision Board is completed by the end of this month. The examination of the cases of Madura detenus only is reported to be pending.—A. P.

Bhopal Leader Released

(From A Correspondent.)

BHOPAL, May 16.

To-day at 4 o'clock Shakir Ali Khan, an ex-President of Bhopal State People's Conference and member of the Working Committee of the Central India States People's Conference was released from the Central Jail. It should be recalled that he was sentenced to one year rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 in connection with the Congress movement of August 1942. He has served his full term of imprisonment. His friends and sympathizers paid the amount of fine.

PLEA FOR APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL

NEW DELHI, May 19.

An application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council against the Federal Court's judgment confirming the death sentence passed on Kasirajan and Rajagopalan by the Madras High Court will come up for hearing on May 23 before the Federal Court. The Federal Court confirmed the death sentence by a majority decision; justice Varadachariat dissenting as regards the sentence.

The two accused were charged with the murder of Mr. Loane, Assistant Inspector of Salt at Kulasekharapatnam salt factory during the 1942 disturbances.—A. P.

SECURITY ORDER WITHDRAWN

KARACHI, May 19: The Government of Sind have decided to withdraw the order asking "Ratan", a literary journal, to deposit a cash security of Rs. 1,000 for publishing stories of Irish freedom. It appears the action was taken against "Ratan" without consulting the local Press Advisory Committee. —United Press.

Governor's Special Responsibility Stays

KARACHI, May 18: The Governors' responsibility of securing the proper administration of the Lloyd Barrage and canals scheme remains unaffected inspite of the fact that the Barrage Debt has been repaid. This is made clear in a communication from the Governor's Secretary to a local paper the "Daily Gazette" which in a report on the subject had stated that: "by throwing off the shackles of the Barrage debt, Sind has done away with the special responsibility of the Governor with regard to the Sukkur Barrage which, it is hoped in political circles, will now be administered in accordance with advice of the Ministers."

The letter from the Secretary adds that the Barrage Scheme will continue to be administered, as at present, in accordance with the advice of the Ministers, subject to the special responsibility of the Governor."—A. P.

Controller-General For Procurements

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, May 17.

Mr. R H. Parker lately of the Bombay Telephones has been appointed Controller-General for procurements under Civil Supplies Department. Mr. Kothawala also a senior Deputy Director of General Post and Telegraphs has been appointed as Mr. Parker's Deputy.

As indicated earlier an organisation is being created to comb out black market in consumers' goods. The organisation will be responsible for procurements and proper distribution of these goods.

To Help Ailing Poet

BOGRA, May 19: In order to help the ailing poet, Kazi Nazrul Islam, a Committee called the Nazru Aid Committee was formed from among the leading people of Bogra. It has also been decided to form a Medical Board consisting of Dr. B. C. Roy, N. R. Sen Gupta, Kabir Hussain and others, for examining the poet's health which is causing great anxiety as he is reported to be without proper medical treatment.—Orient Press.

INDIA'S REVERSE LEND-LEASE

Petroleum Products Make Up Half The Total

NEW DELHI, May 19: "From cakes or rice to bikes", that is the description of the Indian Supplies to the United States Forces in India under the lease and lend arrangements, according to a message published from Delhi. The message from Washington says: "The Foreign Economic Administration reported that about thirty-five million dollars worth supplies ranging from cakes or rice to bikes had been provided for the U. S. Military forces in India in the first two months of 1944 through the reverse Lend-Lease.

Half of the total consisted of petroleum products. Other items included seventeen million pounds of fuel and rice, seventeen million gallons of aviation gasoline, 68,00,000 pounds of vegetables, two million pounds of condiments 1,17,000 trousers, 600 bicycles, 2,000 books and 4,80,298 packs of cigarettes.—United Press.

"Grow More Food" Policy To Be Overhauled

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, May 18.

Complete overhaul of the grow more food policy is envisaged here by persons in the know of things.

Firstly, the policy is being planned on a longer basis than at present. Secondly, in addition to food crops and vegetables, meat, fish, fruit and poultry are being brought within the purview of the campaign. Thirdly, planning would aim at regional self-sufficiency instead of present production at random basis. Fourthly, there will be correlation between production and procurement. Fifthly, Indian States are being brought into planning and campaign. Lastly, it is proposed to realise land revenue in kind instead of in cash at present.

It is felt here that longrange planning is necessary to avoid wastage and secure orderly production. Long-range planning is necessary for fruit culture, such as bananas, papias, poultry, meat and fishery.

The present system which is on yearly basis rules out schemes which could not be completed or bear results within a year. Proposed overhaul will be based on atleast four-year planning.

VIKRAMADITYA PRIZE ESSAY COMPETITION.

BOMBAY, May 19: Mr. Amritlal D. Sheth, Secretray of the Janmabhoomi-Lokamanya-Nutan Gujarat Vikramaditya Prize Essay Competition, announces that the last date of submitting the Essay is May 31, 1944.

Those who have not submitted the essay are requested to do so before the last date.

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at

NEW TALKIES

BANDRA

on Sunday 21st May, 1944, at 10-30 A.M.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE

Civil Appointments

Mr. T. D. Sapre is confirmed in the post of Labour Officer under the Bombay Industrial Disputes Act, 1938.

Mr. V. M. Joshi, I.C.S., to officiate as Collector of Dharwar, vice Mr. S. Aminuddin, I.C.S., transferred.

Messrs. R. G. Paull and W. Waddel are confirmed as Superintendents of Police, Bombay City, from 19th Dec. 1943 and 18th Feb. 1944, respectively, vice Mr. G. Bird and Rao Bahadur S. G. Achrekar, retired.

Mr. F. W. O'Gorman, offg. Dy. Inspector General of Police, C.I.D., to be Dy. Inspector-General of Police.

The services of Mr. V. C. Trivedi, Assist. Director of Civil Supplies and Assist. Secretary, Food Advisory Council, Bombay, at the disposal of the Govt. of India, Dept. of Commerce, for appointment as Assist. Export Trade Controller, Bombay, from 21st March, 1944.

KOLHAPUR MUSLIMS' CONFERENCE

(From Our Correspondent)

KOLHAPUR, May 19: Second session of the Kolhapur State Muslim Conference opens on 20th May at Palace Theatre under Nawab Yarjung Bahadur's presidentship.

N. J. TRIVEDI DEAD

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, May 19: Mr. Navalram Jagannath Trivedi, prominent literary man of Gujrat, died last night at 1-55 a. m. in V. S. Hospital after illness of eight days.

NEW DELHI, May 19: Fifteen prominent non-officials representing Indian Associations are being invited to the meeting of the Standing Emigration Committee at Simla on June 5 and 6 to consider the proposals formulated by the Government of Burma regarding post-war problems.—United Press.

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Hightide: 10-41, 22-39. Lowtide 4-09, 16-37.

To-day's Engagements

SIR HARKISONDAS N. HOSPITAL: Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas will open Devkaran Mulji Pathology department at 6-30 p.m.

ASTHIKA SAMAJ, MATUNGA.—Series of lectures on Suta Samhita by Bharatiya Vidya Bhuwan Principal, Mahopadhyaya Venkiteswara Dikshithar every day from today at 6-30 p.m.

IN AID OF RELIEF FUND: Concert in aid of the Relief Fund, at Parel Road, Corner Separd Road, (opp. St. Mary Bridge, Byculla), at 9 p.m. (S. T.). Sheth Mahomed Husein Premji will preside.

SARASWAT CO-OPERATIVE BANK: Opening of the Handicrafts and Industrial Sales Exhibition at 5-30 p.m., at the Chikitsak Samooha Building, Kandewadi, Bombay. The Exhibition is open to the public from to-day, to 28th instant, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. every day.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER and the Councillors of Ward No. 14 (Parel) will meet near the Central Vaccination Station near Old Parel Tram Terminus at 6-51 a.m. (B. T.), 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), to go round the ward. Residents of the ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT: That "Journalists will be Responsible for the Future Peace of the World" will be the subject of a public debate in the Youth Lodge, Blavatsky Lodge, at 6-30 p.m. Mr. R. H. Wynne of the "Morning Standard" will preside, Mr. M. D. Japeth will propose. Mr. Adam Adil will oppose.

CONDOLENCE MEETING.—Meeting of the friends and admirers of Mr. Khanderao Pradhan in Dhuru Hall at 9 p.m to condole his sad demise last month. Mr. Khanderao Pradhan was arrested in October, 1943, in Thana Power House Sabotage Case. He was detained for 5 and 1-/2 years and was released on Parole. He died while on Parole at Baroda at the end of last month.

RADICAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Opening session of the Radical Democratic Party annual conference under the presidentship of Mr. Manoranjan Basu of Calcutta, with an inaugural address by Mr. M. N. Roy, the Brahmin Sahayak Sangh premises, Shivaji Park, Dadar. Sunday session from 9 a.m., at 7 p.m. procession from Saltanchouki at the place of the conference where a public rally will be held at 9 p.m.

LECTURES ON VEDIC RELIGION: At Bawa Maharaj Singhji Garden, Agra Road, Mulund G.I.P. from 8 to 11 p.m. and Sunday the 21st May 1944 from 7 to 11 p.m. by Pandit S. N. Ral Arya, Pandit Hari Vallabh Sharma, Pandit Vishnu Mittraji, Pandit Anand Deoji, Acharya Vibhudeoji Shastri and Shri. Vithal. Demonstration in Yogic Feats by All-India Famous Yogacharya Prof. Satyapalji, Founder of Shakti Yogashram, Delhi and Bombay.

INCIDENT OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION: At monthly meeting held in May, 1944. The Incident Officers' Association (A.R.P. Hq.) condoled the sad and heroic deaths of the members of the Fire-fighting and all other services, who lost their lives in the discharge of their duties and also for the lives of the citizens of Bombay sequel to the explosions and fires in the city on April 14 last.

The Lodge K. R. Cama No. 1366, S. C. also passed a similar resolution.

CYCLING IN BOMBAY

A Praiseworthy Effort To Popularise It

BY FREE LANCE

Recently some Cycling enthusiasts, calling themselves Bombay Cycling Union, held a meet at the Brabourne Stadium. They had some excellent objects in view as I could gather First of all they wanted to popularise this branch of sport, among the masses. This is hardly the opportune moment for inaugurating this praisworthy campaign when the price of cycles are beyond the means of the masses. Nevertheless these enthusiasts were undaunted by various handicaps placed in their way by the war and its profiteers, and they set about their task with an indomitable spirit. With a view to permit all and sunday to join the competition they fixed the entry fee as low as one anna per event for each competitor!

NOMINAL ENTRY FEES

Some of our leading wheelers, it is said, thought so low of it that they refused to compete. It stands, however, to the credit of the Poona Cyclists—among them was Syd Corder, the National and Provincial Champion, —that they thought fit to give the innovation all the encouragement it deserved. There were entries galore—from experts to beginners—from men and women, boys and girls. A noteworthy feature of the show was a race between a large number of cyclist peons of Bombay, particularly from the Telegraph Office. Every body seemed to be very keen on doing his best. That was a happy sign indeed.

ANOTHER NOVELTY

Another novelty introduced was the lap competition in some of the races. Timing was noted for each lap for every competitor. The man keeping the best timing in the majority of the laps was declared the winner. This is an excellent innovation intended to speed up the races. We have all become tired of the "Crawling" which our 'stars' resort to in all open competitions. In fact some of them were disqualified in one race in the Provincial meet because they did not finish the distance within the time limit specified by the Committee. If the new method is adopted —instead of declaring the first home as the winner—it is sure to improve the timing in all our races.

CONTROLLING BODY NEEDED

I wish there was a body to control this branch of sport in Bombay. A few years ago an association called the Bombay Presidency Cyclists Union, had come into being. But it went out of existence owing to the fissiparous tendencies shown by some of the Cyclists. It would be in the best interests of the wheelers if they formed a special Council under the aegis of the B.P.O.A. Cycling will then receive greater attention at the hands of the authorities than it does at present. Cycling is a fascinating sport. Everything should be done to foster and encourage. I hope all those who are specially interested in it will make an early move in the direction suggested above.

16 LAKHS FOR CLEARING DEBRIS

According to estimates prepared by the Bombay Municipal authorities, the demolition of damaged and unsafe buildings and the removal of debris in the residential area west of the G.I.P. Railway lines, devastated sequel to the recent explosions and fires is expected to cost about Rs. 16 lakhs. This estimate does not include the affected localities around Frere Road and the cost of demolition carried by the military in the dock area.

The estimate is prepared by the City Engineer's staff. There are nearly 60,000 lorry loads of debris, in addition to building materials to be cleared from the residential areas only. At the rate of Rs. 20 per lorryload for transport to Hornby Vellard where the debris is dumped transhipment of debris will alone cost Rs. 12 lakhs.

It is not possible that the demolition work will be completed before the monsoons start inspite of the attempts of the authorities to speed up to the maximum.

To facilitate the demolition work on Friday, the viewing and evacuation of property by landlords and tenants on the west side of the railway lines was entirely stopped for the day.

MASS INQUEST.

There will be a mass inquest held by the Coroner of Bombay on Saturday on the 377 victims of the disaster whose deaths have been so far reported to the Coroner. Bodies of only 120 of these cases have been identified.

The inquest on Syed Ali, who died on Thursday due to the collapse of a wall during blasting operations was postponed.

The two other men who were injured in the accident are still in hospital.

Where To Register Claims

Persons submitting claims for compensation for losses sustained due to the Bombay fires of April 14 last should register them at the Police stations concerned and not send them to Police Headquarters. The police stations pertaining to particular areas are:

For the area bounded by Carnac Road on the south, Abdul Rehman Street on the west, Pydhoni Road on the north and Frere Road on the East—"Pydhoni Police Station".

For the area bounded on the south by Pydhoni Road, on the west by Ebrahim Rahimtulla Road, on the north by Babula Tank Road and Wadi Bunder Road and on the east by Frere Road—"Dongri Police Station."

For the Dock Area—"Yellow Gate Police Station".

For the remaining portion of the affected area lying to the south of Carnac Road except the Dock Area—"Palton Road Police Station."

BENGAL'S SYMPATHY FOR BOMBAY FIRE VICTIMS

CALCUTTA, May 19: The Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day unanimously passed a resolution, moved on behalf of Government, deciding to convey the deep sense of sorrow and sympathy of the people of Bengal through the Government of Bombay to the relatives of victims and other sufferers in the fire accident in Bombay, that took place on the 14th April last.

Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, leader of the opposition, remarked that no human heart could withhold its sympathy from the people of Bombay in their sufferings.

Mr. K. S. Roy, leader of the official Congress Party, in associating himself with the resolution, congratulated the Bombay Government for releasing the Mayor of Bombay so that he might be able to organise relief work on behalf of the Bombay Corporation. Mr. Roy expressed the hope that this example would be followed by others, when similar occasions arose.

Dr. Shyama Prosad Mookerjee, leader of the Nationalist Party, supporting the resolution, recalled the unstinted support which Bombay had given to Bengal during the last famine.

He reminded the House that Bengal contributed a sum of Rs. 1,00,000 towards the relief of the people in London affected by enemy air raids, and he hoped that the Bengal Government would sanction a similar amount to the fund which had been started in Bombay for the relief of the sufferers there.

On behalf of the European Group, Mr. F. A. Stark associated himself with resolution.—A. P.

Bahai Centenary Celebrations

Celebrations in connection with the Hundredth Anniversary of the Declaration of the Bahai Faith are to take place in the city on a large scale in the week beginning 22nd inst. These celebrations are to be inaugurated on the 24th by Mr. I. H. Taunton (Education) Adviser to the Governor. Lectures are arranged for each day by well-known persons like. Prof. K. T. Shah on the "Economic Foundation of Peace" (24th); Dr. B. S. Moonje on the "Principle of Dharma" (25th); and Mr. Manu Subedar on "Prelude to New World Society" (26th) at the C. J. Hall. Among those who preside on the occasion, on successive days, are: Mr. Nagindas T. Master, the Mayor (23rd), Sundrabai Hall; Dr. B. S. Moonje (25th); and Mr. G. L. Mehta (26th). Each day, from the 29th to 31st May, there will be a dinner to distinguished guests and visitors, as well as delegates. The poor in the City are also to be fed.

A strong reception committee of eminent Bahais has been formed with Mrs. Shirin Fozdar as chairman to carry out the programme.

Progressives Writers' Association

A meeting of the Bombay Progressive Writers Association will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 4 p.m. at the Club of the Journalists Association, Prospect Chambers, Hornby Road.

CULTURAL CONFERENCE: The Organising Committee of the Cultural Conference have decided to convert themselves into The Indian Cultural Group with the main object of cultural renaissance, and will have a large membership for the purpose. The group will organise cultural conferences every year on a grander scale, and will undertake any other activity which will provide a platform for the young and amateur artists, and unearth new artistic talents, which require encouragement and support. The group will also conduct special classes on various aspects of art. It will encourage new forms of music, dance, painting, etc. while at the same time striving to maintain the integrity of the old. The group has decided to work as an allied activity of the Indian National Theatre, which was recently inaugurated by Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya.

The office-bearers of the Group for the year are: President: Mrs. Tara Ali Baig; Chairman: Mr. Adam Adil; Gen. Secretary: Mr. R. D. Aurangabadker. Jt. Secretaries: Miss Manorama Katju and Mr. Hanif Shakoor; Treasurers: Messrs. H. E. Merchant and B. N. Anklesaria.

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In order to ensure speedy investigation into complaints from the public regarding refusal to sell or over-charging by a druggist, an enquiry office has been opened from May 16, 1944 in the 'C' Ward Rationing Sub-Office at Keshavbaug Building, Princess Street.

Members of the public should approach this office, which will be open from 9-30 a.m. to 8 p.m., with their complaints regarding the Drugs Control Order whenever immediate help by the enforcement staff is required. A member of the staff would accompany the complainant on such occasion to the shop concerned and carry out investigations on the spot.

Complaints of a general nature and where no immediate action is called for, should be addressed to the office of the Licensing Authority, Drugs Control Order, Old Custom House, Fort, Bombay or to the Director of Civil Supplies (General), Secretariat, Fort, Bombay.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, May 19: The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 15-5-44:—

Allahabad 105 84 0, BOMBAY 92 81 0, Calcutta 98 81 0, Cawnpore 102 81 0, Cuttack 107 83 0, Darjeeling 65 56 0.1, Delhi 103 83 0, Dehra Dun 93 68 0, Jacobabad 102 75 0, Karachi 88 79 0, Lahore nil, Lucknow 16 83 0, Madras 96 81 0, Nagpur 107 83 0, Patna 106 87 0, Peshawar 98 75 0, Shillong 80 65 0, Simla 70 52 0.9.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

To see the right and not to do it is to be coward.

Confucious

The Bombay Chronicle

SETTLE WITH CONGRESS FIRST

In a memorandum submitted to the Viceroy Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru has made out a very strong case for the formation of ministries in the Section 93 provinces. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the non-Party Conference held at Lucknow in April under his chairmanship. The present memorandum is an amplification of that resolution. Sir Tej Bahadur points out that by the virtual suppression of the legislatures in these provinces and the usurpation of their powers by the Governors, a constitutionally irresponsible dictatorship has been inflicted upon two hundred million people, with the result that there is "a widespread feeling of frustration, disillusionment, suppressed discontent and resentment". He points out that "there is every reason to believe that if an attempt is made to establish coalition Ministries or Ministries representing all important elements in the Legislature such an attempt will in all likelihood succeed and there will be no opposition or resistance on the part of the majority parties in the event of their refusing to undertake responsibility on their shoulders". The British Government is not unaware of this. But, like the Fascists, it prefers autocracy wherever possible. And autocracy will continue to be our lot till we learn, through united efforts, to assert our rights.

While Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's attempt to restore autonomy in the Section 93 provinces is natural and praiseworthy we fear that the attempt without any reference to a prior settlement with the Congress is much like putting the cart before the horse. So long as Congress leaders, including exministers, are in jail, Congress participation in provincial administration is impossible. There is doubtless a theoretical possibility of Congress legislators maintaining an attitude of benevolent neutrality towards, or discriminating support to, a non-Congress Coalition Cabinet. If even in that case a provincial Government is defeated the right course for the Governor is either to come to a settlement with the Congress majority or to order general elections. If the elections return a Congress majority, it becomes doubly the duty of the Governor to come to a settlement with the Congress. So at one stage or another such a settlement becomes necessary. It is wisest to bring it about at once as an essential step towards restoring responsible Government in the Section 93 provinces and also inaugurating it at the Centre. More problems than one can be solved if such a settlement is brought about immediately and if, as the first step towards it, all Congress leaders are released forthwith.

India's Constitutional Problem

We have received from the Oxford University Press three volumes of a Report on the Constitutional Problem in India, submitted to the Nuffield College, Oxford, by Prof. R. Coupland, Beit Professor of Colonial History in the University of Oxford. The first volume (pages 162, price Rs. 3) presents a survey of "the development of self-Government" in India from the passing of the charter Act in 1833 to the Government of India Act of 1935. The second volume (Pp. 352, price Rs. 3/8/0) describes in detail the course of Indian politics from 1936 to the imprisonment of the Congress leaders. It reviews the working of provincial autonomy and the relations between the principal political parties in the country. The third volume (Pp. 224; price Rs. 3/8/0) purports to state "the main facts that must be faced and to suggest some possible ways of dealing with them, if a system of government is now to be devised both for the provinces and for India as a whole in which the twin principles of freedom and unity are balanced and combined."

The author assumes that "the British Government has undertaken to accept any constitution on which the major elements in Indian politics are agreed". But no such declaration has ever been clearly and unequivocally made. Nor is it ever declared what constitutes decisive agreement by the States. Secondly the present deadlock is mainly with regard to immediate war-time constitutional changes but the British Government is not prepared to part with power at all. Sir Stafford Cripps bluntly said that Defence could not be transferred even if all the parties in India demanded it. Finally, though the author often attempts to state the pros and cons of many of our problems, he is unfortunately much prejudiced against the Congress. However, the reader need not accept the writer's conclusions about the various ways in which he suggests India's freedom and unity can be combined. The chief merit of the book is the huge mass of facts and figures and documents which it contains and which, if a little one-sided, is nevertheless indispensable for any advanced student of Indian politics or any politician or citizen who wishes to help in the solution of our constitutional problems.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Success On Italian Front

The Eighth and Fifth Armies have ample reason to congratulate themselves on the success which has attended their well-co-ordinated blows at the German lines of defence in the Italian peninsula. The main portion of the Gustav Line, on which the Germans had set so much store and which had resisted Allied attempts at piercing for the past several months, has crumbled beyond repair within the space of a week and the Germans have been forced to fall back on Adolf Hitler Line. The defenders of the Gustav line were completely out-manoeuvred and Allied troops are now in possession of the southern gateways o two vital roads leading to Rome, Cassino in the centre and Formia on the coast. The Nazis have undoubtedly suffered heavy losses, for besides the prisoners, totalling 7000 that have been so far taken, over half of the parachute division—the cream of the German army—is reported to have been destroyed. The capture of the fortress of Cassino by the Allies is a great blow to the Germans. From all reports the armies under General Alexander are vigorously pushing forward and have commenced their assault on the Adolf Hitler Line itself. This will, no doubt, prove to be a tougher nut than the one they have just cracked, but if the "Invasion" front should materialise within the next fortnight as appears most likely, the Adolf Hitler line, too, may go the way of its companion.

Chinese Successes

The capture of Myitkyina by the American-trained and American-equipped Chinese Army under General Stilwell is doubtless a creditable piece of work, but the value of this rail and road-head will be only as a stepping-stone to further advance towards the south, if the same can be achieved by the Chinese forces without much difficulty. That the Chinese did not encounter any strong opposition at Myitkyina may be due to the fact that the Japanese in Burma have to attend to even more serious threats from other directions. Not only have the airborne Chindits under General Leutigne been systematically sabotaging the Japanese communications in the north, but a Chinese force under Marshal Wei Hi-luang has also been steadily pushing northwards, after crossing the Salween River, with a view, no doubt, to join hands with General Stilwell's troops advancing from the north. The latest reports indicate that only eight miles now separate the two forces. If the two forces succeed in contacting each other, the position of the Japanese troops occupying the hilly regions on the Sino-Burmese border is bound to become precarious. The Chindits, who have so far defied all Japanese attempts to get at them, may also be able to join hands with the two Chinese forces before very long. The news, thus, from this quarter of the Chinese front must be deemed to be cheering.

Publish It

Replying to a question in the Commons regarding Gandhiji's correspondence with the Governor-General, Mr. Amery stated that, while the correspondence before Gandhiji's fast had already been published, the publication of the subsequent letters was a matter for the Government of India to decide. It is clear that there has been correspondence after the fast. As it is most likely to be with regard to the same subject as had been discussed in the previous letters, it is not fair to suppress the latter part of the discussion, a part which is likely to include replies to Government's charges against Gandhiji and Congress. However, Gandhiji will not allow that part to be indefinitely suppressed. It will be graceful for the Government of India to publish the later correspondence if Gandhiji has no objection.

Belated Interest

In his talk to businessmen at the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay Vice-Admiral J. H. Godfrey appealed for the creation of strong public opinion "to keep the naval idea in people's minds". The appeal is not quite superfluous but response to it can be effective if now at least Government does its part earnestly. As pre-requisites for an efficient navy in India the Vice-Admiral mentioned maintenance of a mercantile marine from which reserves would be trained, a link-up with the industrial and business concerns of the country, creation of strong public opinion to ensure the enlistment of the right type of men and production of the right type of ships, and close cordial understanding with a big navy. Not very long ago the Indian public asked for a more modest programme. But Government did not heed the demand nor is there a guarantee that it will not relapse into its old indifference.

"Mother Kasturba Gandhi"

Brief life sketches of Kasturba Gandhi have become justly popular. We have already reviewed three such. Among the latest is one edited by Rezaul Karim and published by Chukervartty Chatterjee & Co., Calcutta (pp. 64, price Rs. 1/8). It contains relevant extracts from Gandhiji's writings and the full text of Mr. Devadas Gandhi's article on the last parting scene. The book is appropriately printed on hand-made paper.

LONDON TOPICS

From Our London Correspondent

April 21.

The question whether Trebitsch Lincoln 'alias Chao' Ling still alive working as a spy for the Japanese is raised in the current issue of "World Review" in an article by Captain G. H. Veres. Though Lincoln was reported dead by the Tokio radio after an operation at Shanghai in October 1943, it is conceivable that Tokio radio deliberately misinformed the world to cover up further espionage on the part of this brilliant and versatile spy who once aimed at the downfall of England and his record would substantiate the idea. He had acted as agent for the Japanese before the outbreak of the war with China, afterwards he was a leader of a vast spy ring covering India, Burma, Malaya and China. He is reported to have spent latter years in isolated mountain fastnesses in Tibet.

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The Commons debate on scientific research produced a series of highly interesting speeches. Captain Plugge expressed the view that radiolocation would probably never been born but for the great number of television circuits which has been evolved in Britain. The opener of the debate, Sir Granville Gibson, said that there must be collaboration with all parts of the Empire. New Zealand, he pointed out, for example, could not afford with her small population to finance all types of research but was there any reason why she should not take part in British schemes? Dr. Haden Guest eloquently advocated a world nutrition policy for which many have fought so strongly at the League of Nations and which may be one of the more beneficial results of this war.

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Speaking at a meeting at the Caxton Hall on Sunday April 16 Sir Richard Acland, Parliamentary leader of Commonwealth said this:

"A retired Colonel from Poona insisted that I was wrong in my approach to the Indian problem, because I have never been to India. I listened to him quietly and even agreed for a while that everything that he said about India must be right as he had been to India. A little later it was my turn. I said 'Look here my dear Col. We must nationalise the mines. Miners are getting a raw deal. Our Tory Party is exploiting our common people. The Colonel disagreed with me. He thought everything was right in the garden built up by Churchill, Attlee and the Company. I retorted 'Oh, but, Colonel, I know what I am talking. I have lived in this country for forty long years!'

The Dean of Canterbury, although invited to New York to address 24,000 industrial delegates on Russia, has not been able to get a passport, in spite of the fact that he had been to high circles in Whitehall.

"Difficulties of transport" was the reason given. The B. B. C. has also never invited him to speak on the air on the subject of Russia. Of course, Noel Coward has found it easy to travel to different parts of the world. The B. B. C. mike has also been available to him.

I am told that approximately 8,000,000 Americans have read the Dean's world's best-seller, "Socialist One-Sixth of the World." It has gone into 19 editions and been translated into many languages. Australia bought 200,000 copies in one order while Canada took another 250,000.

The blind genius, Helen Keller, had it reproduced in Braille at her own expense. Even Lord Beaverbrook ordered two copies. Lord Dean gave one copy to Mrs. Churchill, who, it is said, sent him a picture as thanks.

The Dean has been lecturing in Britain on Russia and has collected nearly five thousand pounds for medical aid for Russia. He is a frequent speaker on the India League platform, advocating the release of Congress leaders and formation of a National Government in India.

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The death of Mr. W. P. Crozier, editor of the "Manchester Guardian" reminds me of my visit to him a few years ago. With great enthusiasm he took me by the hand and showed me round the offices of the "Guardian." We entered a little room. He opened the windows, let the light come in. It was speck and span. On the wall was the portrait of C. P. Scott, looking down on the desk. "There he worked and toiled for this paper", said Crozier in a muffled voice. When I suggested that the desk is spacious for him to work, Crozier said "No, sir, only "C. P." was fit to sit there."

Fire And Insurance Companies

Mr D G Kapadia's article entitled "Fire and Insurance Companies and Government" which was published in your issue of the 13th instant deserves meticulous consideration from the Government as well as from the Insurance Companies. I don't have any hesitation to concur with Mr. Kapadia's suggestion that the insurance companies should with the full co-operation of the Government rise to the occasion by avowedly declaring their willingness to pay compensation to those who are victimised by the recent colossal catastrophe that has darkened the history of Bombay. My own experience in the field of Insurance gives sufficient force to my conviction that if our Companies fail to instil confidence in the public by repudiating the claims that have arisen out of the havoc caused by the fire, not only the future prospects of the companies but also the Insurable interest in India will be greatly jeopardised. The very existence of an Insurance Company is based upon mutual co-operation and goodwill. If this is lost, everything is lost.

P. U. K. NAIR.

"Conversion Of India"

Dr. William Tempie, the Archbishop of Canterbury, a man of enlightened views, speaking at the anniversary of the Church Missionary Society recently referred to India, in glowing terms, and has wound up his speech with the following remarks: "The conversion of India should be something near to the heart of all of us".

But Christ never said: "Ye convert all to Christianity so that more harmony may prevail". This may mislead many and to say this, means these reputed missionaries are still in the lure of Churchianity and not of Christianity.

It is high time that this kind of mocking Christ should be put an end to, and especially by the big men of ecclesiastics like the Archbishop.

J. NILAKANTAN.

Mahim.

League-Congress Unity

The biggest task facing the peoples of this country is to forge League-Congress Unity and wrest power from the hands of British Imperialism. Only through League-Congress Unity can we achieve freedom for our country and by establishing a free Hindustan and a free Pakistan bring freedom and prosperity for the teeming millions of this land. Through disunity we can get neither Hindustan nor Pakistan but only perpetuate our slavery. It is a very happy sign that this realisations has slowly come over us.

But old prejudices die hard and many such suspicions still persist in our troubled and confused minds. Muslim Leaguers fix the blame of disunity over the head of Congress and Gandhiji. And Congressmen reply by showering volleys of criticism and ridicule on Mr. Jinnah and his haughty manners. Muslim youth is impatiently waiting for Mahatmaji to find a way out.

KHALID ALI.

Is That Justice?

My husband Mr. B. K. Kaul, who has been in detention in Ajmer Central Jail since August 1942 reported to be on hunger strike since 25th April He was already in a bad state of health in Jail.

The real cause of the hunger-strike is not known nor my efforts to know them have borne any fruit. All correspondence and interviews with Mr Kaul have been stopped.

The Chief Commissioner when interviewed by me, expressed his inability to do anything so long as the strike persisted My request for an interview, with the sole object of persuading my husband to call off strike was also rejected.

(Mrs.) V. M. KAULA.

Ajmer.

MAHATMA'S ALLIANCE IS WORTH SECURING

"Guardian" On After-Release Problems: Sapru Pleads Gandhiji Should Call All-Party Conference

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, May 19.

It is reliably understood that after the 15 days of silence, Gandhiji will engage his mind in two important problems: one solving the communal problem by personal contact with Mr. Jinnah and secondly interview with the Viceroy. Gandhiji will ask the Viceroy to grant him an interview and demand the release of the Congress President and the Working Committee.

It is hoped in political circles here that the Congress Working Committee is likely to be released in June.

MAHATMA MUST CONVENE ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

NEW DELHI, May 19: In an interview to the 'Hindustan Times' Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru has suggested that Mahatma Gandhi should call a Leaders' Conference after he recovers to thrash out the Indian problem and make a demand for national Government. When Gandhiji is well Sir Tej Bahadur proposes to address a communication to him and expects to meet the Mahatma personally.

Asked what he thought would be the reaction of Gandhiji in regard to the situation in the country, Sir Tej Bahadur said: "I believe he will champion the demand for the National Government; that is to say a Government representative of all important interests in the country working together as a single united team under the leadership of a Prime Minister and looking up to him for guidance and for the evolution of a policy of common effort in the interests of the country at large."

He further said: "I personally believe that when Gandhiji stands completely restored to his health the Mahatma should apply himself to the task of bringing an understanding between the various parties, take courage in his hands which he can do as no other man and invite leaders of different parties and schools of thought to meet a a common table and approach the whole question in a generous spirit so that the hatchet may be buried and a common scheme may be evolved in the interests of the country."—United Press.

SECURE HIS ALLIANCE
Gandhiji Is Most Powerful Personality

MANCHESTER, May 19: "The Manchester Guardian" in an editorial to-day expresses the hope that Gandhiji may yet be Britain's ally and says that his alliance would be worth securing. The paper states: "In the stress of a total war there is little room for kindly thoughts; but we may allow ourselves a moment's pleasure in calling to mind Mr. Gandhi, now in rather better health and a man at liberty. What—if strength returns to him—will this great anarchist this archpacifist, this sworn foe of physical force, do in a world war which will have been fought in vain if it does not lead to the establishment of some sort of world government requiring—so most of us believe—the support of unchallengeable physical force. It would seem we have no use of him. And yet not so. Our world Government, our international or supernational regulations and physical force which must be behind them all, aim not merely at producing power, but at securing human happiness. British tradition asserts there can be no happiness without liberty. Now whatever else Mr. Gandhi is or is not, he certainly is a friend, a champion of human liberty. There is then hope that he may yet be our ally. His alliance would be worth securing. For this is a war in which personality counts and old or young, ill or well, Mr. Gandhi is by far the most powerful personality in India.

Two years ago in a moment of spiritual exultation Mr. Gandhi pronounced against British Raj the sentence 'Quit India.' But the appeal lay from Philip drunk to Philip sober and to-day Mr. Gandhi may be in a less absolute mood. Perhaps he would listen to the Viceroy pleading for stay of execution of the decree and for co-operation in interim with British and Indian statesmen facing a common danger and working for common ends. There is little doubt that if Mr. Gandhi gave his blessing to such an arrangement other Congress leaders would be ready enough to fall into line. Further Mr. Rajagopalachari of Madras who knows Mr. Gandhi well as any man and has shown himself a realist and a statesman is known to believe it would be possible to work the Cripps' plan or something like it and to persuade Mr. Gandhi to accept it. There is, therefore, ground for hope that the Viceroy may try and may succeed.

Difficulties in his way are undeniably very great. Mr. Gandhi is unpredictable. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru may prove obstinate.

Indian statesmen will have to recognise that India is a main base for operations of the Allies, and that so long as this is so the allies must have their say on questions affecting transport, food supplies, munitions production, money power and foreign affairs.

Last, but not least, there is Mr. Jinnah and the Moslems. Mr. Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah are to meet next month if Jinnah agrees. Can the Viceroy, or Mr. Rajagopalachari, induce them to come to a settlement? Must we really join in promoting partition of India which on the face of it appears so harmful and so unworkable? Perhaps there may be truth in the suggestion that if only the Moslems are assured that they can have partition, if they want it, the thing will then cease to appear desirable.

Yet even to meddle with the idea might be like playing with a high explosive as the like reaction to the Cripps proposals warned us. Indeed this business of setting up a Provisional National Government must be an awkward one, and those responsible for it are likely to please no one and to get little thanks for their pains. We can only give them the widest freedom to do their best and wish them well. Nor is it probable that the National Government can at this stage much increase India's war effort. Where it may make a difference is at the most important crisis of all, at the Peace Conference. It would be worth any risk if the setting up of a National Government now enables India then to be represented by men who have gained some experience of world affairs and feel themselves to be and are felt by Indians to be representative of Free India. Then India will not be contented to watch the proceedings of the Peace Conference in a mood of satisfied nationalism, suspecting every proposal for supernational regulations as camouflaged imperialism. Instead we may hope that the acknowledged representatives of Free India will bring to the common task an amiable spirit, intelligence and moderation which are characteristic of India's culture. We ourselves might then speak at the conference with greater persuasiveness as having established by further surrender of power our claim to rank among liberators of mankind."—Reuter.

MEANINGLESS PLATITUDES

(From A Special Correspondent.)

LONDON, May 19.

The declaration which the Dominion Premiers have made for the benefit of the world after being in conference for seventeen days has an indelible imprint of Mr. Churchill. Declarations of this kind cannot be very definite, but they need not be necessarily made up of woolly platitudes. But that is what the so-called historic declaration is: woolly, verbose and platitudinous.

India could not sign the declaration as she is not a Dominion. An Indian spokesman told the United Press of India: "How can India appreciate the views expressed in the declaration: mutual respect and honest conduct between nations is our chief desire. We know that the whole Empire policy is basically a policy of exploiting weaker races like Indians".

A Labour M.P. who knows Indian politics too well to be deceived by such declarations told the United Press of India: "We Socialists are sick of these meaningless platitudes and I can quite visualise how Indians will take the declaration. However I sincerely hope that the sentiments expressed in this document are made applicable to India without delay. Mr. Churchill and his Tory supporters may not see it, but the fact is that India has become the touchstone of British conscience. Our attitude towards India will largely determine the fate of democracy in the post-war world. Not declarations of faith in democracy but democratic need alone will solve the Indian problem and make democracy safe for future generations".

The first reactions to the Dominion Premiers' declaration to come from America are rather cool and even unfriendly. Mr. Kaltenborn, a well-known radio commentator, describes this declaration as "glittering generalities of which the world is heartily tired." Other radio commentators have made the same point in a milder fashion.

DR. MATTHAI WANTS TO GET DAUGHTER'S BODY TO INDIA

NEW YORK, May 19: The police disclosed that the representative of the Tata Chemical Company in New York City has been instructed by Dr. Matthai to arrange for the sending of his daughter's body to India, when the final autopsy is completed.—Reuter.

NO SIGNS OF FOUL PLAY

NEW YORK, May 18: It was officially stated that an autopsy on Miss Valsa Matthai had disclosed no evidence of foul play. The examining doctor said that death was due to drowning.

IF GOVT. ALLOWS.....
Cattle-Owners Can Reduce Price Of Milk

BOMBAY, May 19: At a meeting of the Bombay Cattle Owners Association Khan Saheb Abdul Kader Khan presiding, a suggestion was made that if Government allowed cattle owners to bring cattle and fodder from adjacent States without permits, the price of milk could be considerably reduced.—O.P.I.

"THE TRIAL OF MUSSOLINI"

By D. F. Karaka

Published for the first time in India yesterday was "The Trial of Mussolini" by Cassius. (Thackers Rs. 2/14). It was originally a Gollancz publication and a few copies managed to get to India out of the 100,000 copies sold in England before the book was even published. Its publication in India makes this book available to the large reading public of this country, for it is MUST reading. Calling itself "a verbatim report of the First Great Trial of War Criminals in London sometime in 1944 or 1945," this book is in effect the most brutal indictment of those leading men in English politics and letters who at some time or the other upheld the Mussolini regime. These men, some dead others still alive, appear one by one as witnesses for the Defence. These are a most imposing set of witnesses who have at some time or the other applauded Mussolini and his deeds—deeds which are now called black. Most of the witnesses, strange as it may seem, were members of the ruling party of the day. They had all the facts at their disposal and their views are quite decided. The point which Cassius makes is put in the words of the Counsel for the Defence, when he says: "Gentlemen, if these high personages are also to be condemned, then, perhaps, the alleged crimes of the Prisoner might assume a recognisable character. But if they (the witnesses) are guiltless I cannot see by what standard the guilt of the prisoner is to be established. Does the Attorney-General propose a series of War Trials? Is Sir Samuel Hoare to be brought home from Madrid to face his accusers? Is Lord Simon at last to leave the Woolsack for the dock? Is Lord Halifax to be arraigned as immoral? Are the mortal remains of Mr. Chamberlain to be dug up like Cromwell's and buried into a common pit? ...Let a small part of the accumulated mercy required for these persons be allowed for my client."

So cleverly does Cassius bring out the hypocrisy of the ruling Party—the National, though really Tory, Government of Britain, that it is certain that when these men face another General Election in Britain, they will never see the inside of the House of Commons again or be allowed to represent Britain in any capacity. No man could read through Cassius's book and give his vote to Lord Halifax, or Duff Cooper or John Simon or Samuel Hoare. "The Trial of Mussolini" is a nail in the coffin of their political careers which cannot be drawn out again in their lifetime. For us in India this book makes refreshing reading for it re-establishes our faith in the Common Man of Britain and in those who speak for him and speak his language. It makes us feel that some day men like Amery will also be indicted for their policy towards India. As the Judge says in his summing up: "I only ask that you reserve your pity, not for the crucifiers, but for the crucified—the countless millions of humble and brave people who have suffered in this war and whose pains only an England risen in all her grandeur as the champion of freedom will be able to appease."

This is a great book. It should be on every Indian bookshelf.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Indian troops went overseas for the first time in 1801.

Under General Baird, 5,000 men sailed to assist Abercromby in expelling the French from Egypt.

Unable to reach Suez owing to the monsoon, Gen. Baird landed at Kossier on the Egyptian coast and marched across 120 miles of desert to the Nile, in the middle of summer.

When the Indian troops arrived the French in Alexandria had capitulated but won admiration and praise when they were with the army of occupation.

To-day, nearly 143 years later, the Indian troops maintain their great traditions.

—Official hand-out published in "Evening News of India".

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"British tradition", according to the "Manchester Guardian", "asserts that there can be no happiness without liberty."

British tradition in India, brother?

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The same paper declares that "Gandhi is by far the most powerful personality in India."

Nonsense. The most powerful personality is Lord Wavell full of Ordinance-making powers.

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The National War Front has completed two years of its life.

The infant has not only begun to howl but is also cutting its first teeth!

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A meeting held on this occasion under the auspices of the National War Front, we are told, "was attended by women of all communities."

Except the national—ist community!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *London is watching India is waiting!*

(2) *The censors in India are a fastidious lot and never pry into your love letters.*

(3) *Anyone can freely write from India to England and give expression to his views about Mr. Amery and the censors would send on the letter with their blessings.*

(4) *The Archbishop of Canterbury is to be tried under the Defence of India Rules for leading a deputation to Mr. Amery to demand the release of Indian leaders.*

(5) *Sir Feroze Khan Noon has challenged the Archbishop's statement that there is "growing alienation and distrust between the Indian and British people."*

(6) *Sir Feroze Khan Noon, on the other hand, is convinced that every single Indian is as loyal to the British Raj as he himself.*

(7) *Sir Feroze Khan resents the slighting reference made about military canteens in India by an M. P. in the House of Commons and threatens to resign if any more such references are made.*

Allies Penetrate Outskirts Of Myitkyina

CEYLON, May 19.

On 18th May, Brigadier General Merrill's American and Chinese Troops, with airborne reinforcements from other elements of General Stillwell's forces, attacking from the air field penetrated the outskirts of Myitkyina, says to-day's S.-E. A. C. "communique".

Another column of General Merrill's "Marauders" occupied the village of Nawraw Sakan and threw a road block across the Mogaung-Myitkyina road. Other troops thrust towards Myitkyina from the north.

IN MOGAUNG VALLEY

Of General Stillwell's other forces the Chinese 29th division in the Mogaung Valley and the Hills to the east has inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy in a series of encounters. The bodies of a company commander and two officers were found in one group of 40 enemy dead. Chinese troops have advanced south-west along the Tarongyang river, and others inflicted heavy casualties on Japanese withdrawing some 14 miles north of Kamaing. West of the Mogaung river, the Chinese 22nd division made some limited gains.

GURKHA BRIGADE IN ACTION.

In the Bishenpur area, a Gurkha brigade has forced its way round the eastern flank of the 33rd Japanese division, through most difficult country and in the face of very heavy opposition, and has thrown a road block across the Tiddim Road south of the enemy's main position. It has inflicted heavy casualties and captured much valuable equipment. Enemy counter-attacks have been repulsed.

In the Kohima sector, there was patrol activity.

In the Upper Kaladan, West Africans inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy when a force estimated at three companies attacked our position.

AIR ATTACKS ON JAP POSITIONS

AIR: on the 17th May, U.S.A.A.F. medium bombers of the strategic air force, Eastern Air Command, bombed targets at Kazu and Namti in the Myitkyina area. That night an R. A. F. medium bomber attacked dumps at Kalewa.

On the 17th and 18th, R.A.F. and I.A.F. fighters, fighter-bombers and dive-bombers of the Third Tactical Air Force attacked enemy positions, stores and dumps north of Kwazon (12 miles south-south-east of Buthidaung), Bishenpur, Kohima and Moirang areas.

In north Burma U.S.A.A.F. fighters and fighter-bombers on the 17th May operated in support of ground forces in the Myitkyina area. They also attacked objectives at Katkyo in the same area, and railway lines and rolling stock at Namti.

Long range R.A.F. fighters, operating in the Henzada, Prome and Magwe areas on the 18th May, set fire to a factory and damaged locomotives, motor transport and river-craft.

CHINESE ADVANCE.

From Reuter's Special Correspondent, Chungking May 18:—

Only 80 miles now separate Marshal Wei Hi-Luang's Chinese "back door" force which has swept across the Salween river and the Chinese American troops under General Joseph Stillwell. They are now faced with the task of expelling the Japanese from positions in the rugged north to south mountain range which separates them across the Sino-Burmese border.

To-day's Chinese war "communique" says that on the eastern side of the "hump" Chinese forces striking west from the turbulent Salween have reached two points on the Shweli river and have completed the operation in the Pinoa area some 25 miles south-east of Lungling on the Burma road.

Heavy Bombing Of Myitkyina

From K. Gopalan Associated Press of India war correspondent with the Sino-American forces in Myitkyina, May 18:

The fight for Myitkyina town is well under way to-day and sections of the town on the western side are already in our hands. Our forces are now closing in from north and south while our artillery are pounding the town. Our bombers kept up a heavy bombing of the town all day, while fighters kept strafing the town from time to time and patrolling the sky. The Myitkyina garrison is putting up some resistance using mortar and machinegun.

American troops to-day captured Zigyun village. Zigyun is midway in the loop of the Irrawaddy river from Myitkyina town to Pamati where the airfield is situated two miles west of the town. Other troops to-day are also closing in on the landing field half a mile north of the town and the town itself may now fall any time.—A. P.

International Monetary Fund Discussions

NEW DELHI, May 19: The proposals for an International Monetary Fund drawn up by British and American experts were discussed at the meeting of the Consultative Committee of Economists which began today with Mr. C. E. Jones, acting Finance Member, in the chair. Mr. Jones in his opening speech gave an elucidation of the proposals, and a general discussion followed on them. Among non-official economists attending the meeting are Dr. L C Jain, Mr. D R Gadgil, Dr. P Balakrishnan, Dr B N Narayanswami Naidu, Dr. P S Lokanathan, Prof. M Gosh and Dr A I Qureshi.—A. P.

Warning To Profiteers

While delivering his presidential speech at the performance of the Hindi drama 'Bade Admi', staged in aid of the fire-victims of Bombay, at the Princess Theatre Bhangwadi on Sunday Raja Narayanlal Bittle sounded a note of warning to the profiteers and the black-market opportunists of the day who found themselves exposed in the drama. Raja Narayanlal declared that the stage must endeavour to 'bring out the bad and bring in the good' in the Indian society and it must exist for utility. Raja Narayanlal went on: "We may exploit the masses today because our leaders are in jail but the possibility of the day of retribution in future should not be ruled out. We know what Black Market of the last war brought in Russia soon after. At least those who have fear of Bolshevism should take heed and disassociate themselves from the disgraceful activities, which have already smothered the hearts of the poor."

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CITY MARKETS

Bombay, May 19.

SHARES :—The share market opened quietly steady and prices fluctuated narrowly. At lower levels, there was some support in cotton mill shares. Steel shares were inclined to be quiet.

Tata Steel Defd. opened at Rs. 2,155 and after declining to Rs. 2,140 steadied around Rs. 2,150. Ordinaries fluctuated around Rs. 409-8. Bombay Dyeing after declining to Rs. 1,905 recovered to Rs. 1,917-8. Kohinoors were placed at Rs. 646, Svadeshi Rs. 572, Simplex Rs. 255, New Great Rs. 404, Nagpur Rs. 436, Indian Iron Rs. 36-2, Bengal Steel Rs. 27-10, 3-1/2 p.c. Government Paper Rs. 98-13, Scindia advanced smarply to Rs. 34-8 on shortage of contracts. Later on Defd. declined to Rs. 2,140 and Dyeing to Rs. 1,912-8.

TEXTILE .—Ahmd Advance 512-0; Apollo 4-12; Bharat Spg 78-4; Bom. Dyeing 1916-4; Cent India 434-0; Century 940-0; Colaba 228-0; Dawn 1575-0; Edward Sassoon 700-0; Elphinstone 108-8; Finlay 317-0; Gokak 338-8; Hindustan 4010-0; Ind Bleaching 200-0; Ind United 17-4; Ind United 3-0; Indore 1095-0; Khatau 1387-8; Kohinoor 647-0; Lakshmi 1440-0; Madhowji 21-8; Minerva 311-8; Model Nagpur 290-10 Madhusudan 490-0; Meyer Sassoon 217-8; Morarji 710-0; Mysore 325-0; New Great 401-8; Phoenix xd 650-0; Podar 406-4; Sassoon Silk 103-0; Sassoon Spg 29-8; Shrinivas 435-0; Sholapur 3700-0; Simplex 254-8; Svadeshi 566-0; Swan 340-0; Tata Mills xd 65-4; Vishnu 545-0; Western India 3650-0

INSURANCE.—Bom Life 227-8; Empire Life 785-0; Vulcan 14-6; Oriental 6110-0; Indus Prudent 45-0; Ind Mercantile 68-8; Jupiter 33-8; New India 78-12

HYDRO & ELEC.—Amd Electric 22-12; And. Valley 1855-9; Ajmer 14-6; Bom Tram 148-4; Bom Suburban 228-12; Broach 13-14; Karachi 160-0; Poona 305-0; Surat Old 221-4; Surat New Rs. 50/pd 70-0; Tata Power Ordy 1872-8; Tata Hydro 203-0.

BANK.—Baroda Old 136-8; India 181-6; Central 75-8; Imperial F P 1915-0; Imperial P P 502-8; Reserve Bank 133-8; Habib 77-0; Union 9-0;

PREF SHARES.—7 p c And Valley 1680-4; 6 p c Bom Steamer 350-0; 7 p c Bom Tram 73-12; 5 p c Cent India 735-0; 6-1/2 p c Jupiter 28-0; 6-1/2 p c Surat 198-0; 6 p c Tata 1 & S 1st 221-4; 7-1/2 p c Tata 2nd 164-0; 7-1/2 p c Tata Power 1780-0; 7 p c Tata Hydro 165-0; 7 p c Vishnu 805-0

DEBENTURES.—4 p c And Valley 107-0; 4 p c Tata Power 107-10; 4 p c Tata Chemi 220-0; 6 p c Marsland Price 121-0

RAILWAY.—Ahmd Prantij 775-0; Central Province 103-8; Dhondbaramati 118-0; Hoshiarpurdoab 108-0; Mandrabhon 112-4; Mymensing Rtd 110-0; Mymensing Gtd 110-0; Sarasirajganj 108-0; Sialkot Narival 119-0; Sialkot New 60-0.

MISCE.—Alembic 390-0; Alcock 607-8; Asso Cement 233-0; Burma Old 392-8; Burma New 142-8; Bellapur 244-0; Invest Trust 118-4; B B Petrol 2-13-1/4; Bom Steamer 637-8; Prem Const 221-8; Port Canning 105-0; Scindia 34-8; Shivrajpur 60-8; Tata Chemicals 30-2; Tata Oil 90-0; Tata Orcy 409-0; Tata Defd 2147-8; Wimco 323-12 Burma Corpo 3-10; Indian Copper 2-11; B I C 6-2-1/2; N Victo, Ordy 8-14; Steel Corpo 27-12; U Co Bank 77-12; Bradbury Pref 557-0; Bradbury Ordy 450-0; Elphinstone Prf 134-6; Dharamsy Chemi 74-0; Newcity 435-0; New Union 32-0; Jaipur Bank 68-0; Indian Iron 36-2; H C Bank 59-8;

Govt Securities.—3-1/2 p c G P Notes 98-14; 3 p c 1963-65 Loan 98-10; 3 p c 1966-68 Loan 98-1, 4 p c 1960-70 Loan 111-12; 4-1/2 p c 1955-60 Loan 115-12; 3-1/2 p c 1957-50 Loan 102-15 3 p c 1946 Def 1st 102-0; 3 p c 1949-52 2nd 100-11; 3 p c 1951-54 3rd 100-2; 3 p c 1953-55 4th 99-15; 3 p c 1957 Vic Loan 100-6

Corporation Debentures.—4 p c B P T 1974 112-8; 4 p c M Deb 1974 112-8; 5 p c M Deb 1959 120-0; 6 p c M Deb 1954 130-0; 6 p c K P T 1956 129-0.

TAX FREE LOANS
5 p c 1945-55 Loan 104-6
4 p c 1953-63 Loan 123-6
5 p c Mysore 1955 135-0

GOLD AND SILVER :—The bullion market ruled weak to-day on absence of demands. Gold after declining to Rs. 74-2 and Silver after dropping to Rs. 132-4 recovered to Rs. 74-6 and Rs. 133-2.

COTTON :—The cotton market manifested an improved tendency on shortage of contracts. I. C. C. July opened around Rs. 433-8 and after touching Rs. 433-4 improved steadily to Rs. 434-12. The market undertone appears good and as the market seems to be oversold, the rates are likely to show a moderate improvement.

During the afternoon prices improved further on short covering as well as speculative support, July touching Rs. 437-8 closing quotations:—

I C C May	Rs.	420	8 0
I C C July	Rs.	436	12 0
I C C September	Rs.	446	0 0

THURSDAY'S HIGH AND LOW RATES.

I. C. C. May highest 417-1/2, lowest 415, closing 417-1/2; I. C. C. July highest 433-1/4, lowest 430, closing 433; I. C. C. September highest 443-1/4, lowest 439-1/2, closing 443.

COTTON PARITY: I. C. C. July below [illegible] Y. July 401 cent pts. at Ex. 33[illegible]

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, May 18.

Cotton declined on small persistent hedge selling and liquidation influenced by favourable crop weather and foreign uncertainties. The decline encountered scale-down mill support and covering. The session closed steady.

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, May 18.

July 20.69, October 19.92, December 19.67, Middling Spot 21.64.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

July 20.82, October 19.92, December 19.66, Middling Spot 20.83.

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

July 20.67, October 19.91, December 19.66.

GOVT. MUST ACQUIRE CANHERRY CAVES

Bombay Hindu Sabha Chief's Telegram To Viceroy

Picturesquely situated in a delightful valley, a few miles away from Borivli Station, the historic Canherry Caves are about to change hands.

Mr. G. Ab Yaffi of Bandra, it is reported, has entered into an agreement with Messrs. Sassoon J. David, present proprietors of the village, for the purchase of this historic spot for a figure close on five lakhs of rupees.

These caves, situated in a village called Mangathan are among the treasured historic monument of India. Their origin dates back to the dim historic past.

There are more than a hundred caves within the area and the oldest of them dates back to 100 B.C.

The caves which are now a favourite resort for picnickers, were at one time the centre of a Buddhist colony.

Carved out of rocks, they have been excavated in a manner to keep the rains out. For Buddhists, all over India they are a place of pilgrimage.

The ownership of these caves has changed hands several times in the past.

The first sale was in 1819 when the East India Company sold the caves to Ardeshir Dady. In 1898, they became the property of Seth Chabildas Lalubhai. In 1936 Seth Kanji Seth purchased them and sold them to Mr. M. D. Petit, who in the same year 1942, sold the plot to the Sassoons.

Under the Act for the Preservation of Ancient Monuments, the Government is empowered to acquire an ancient monument if it is felt that it is likely to suffer damage if it remains under private ownership.

The Buddha Society of Bombay of which Dr. M. Venkatrao is President, it is understood, is now making a representation to the Government of India to acquire that part of the village in which the caves are situated.

The caves occupy 300 acres out of a total 4,700 acreage of the village.

Rao Bahadur S. K. Bole, President of the Bombay Provincial Hindu Mahasabha has sent the following telegram to the Government of India: "Report regarding Canherry Caves' ownership disquieting Hindu feeling. Caves, being monumental relics of ancient Buddhist archaeology, Bombay Branch of the Hindu Mahasabha urges Government to acquire these caves under the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act."

Cotton Magnates Revert To Co-operation

KARACHI, May 18: The Karachi Cotton Association today withdrew its resolution of August 15, 1942, passed soon after the arrest of Mahatma Gandhi, whereby it had withdrawn its representatives on all Government and semi-Government bodies.

The Association declared that this step was an earnest of its goodwill in the task of solving post-war economic problems and expressed the wish that "the present opportunity will be availed of by H.E. the Viceroy and Mahatma Gandhi to meet together at the earliest possible date so as to evolve measures designed to put Indo-British relationship on a sound and mutually helpful basis."—A. P.

DR. CHAUDHURI DIES IN BERNE

CUTTACK, May 18: Information has been received here that Dr. Jagannath Das Chaudhuri of Bingarpur in Puri District who was undergoing treatment for bone tuberculosis in Berne (Switzerland) has died.—United Press.

TEXTILE MILL COMES TO TROUBLE

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, May 19: The Textile Commissioner has passed order against Shree Girdharlal Harivalubhdas Mill that future production of the mill should be sold under directions of Textile Commissioner. Licenses of about 15 prominent cloth merchants which have been withdrawn at present for breach of Cloth Control Order are likely to be cancelled shortly.

Jewish Extremists' Attempt On Wireless Station

JERUSALEM, May 18: An attempt to seize the wireless station outside Ramallah, eight miles north of Jerusalem, in order to carry out an illegal broadcast was made last night by members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi extremist Jewish Nationalist Military Organisation.

Three truckloads of Irgunites stormed the station and had gained an entry, when an armoured car bringing strong police reinforcements arrived. A gun battle followed and the Irgunites escaped leaving two police drivers wounded. It was later found that land mines had been strewn over the whole vicinity by the Irgunites. —Reuter.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN
London, May 18.

	This Week
Total Bullion	£ 772,000
Public Deposits	£ 16,600,000
(A) Other deposits	221,600,000
Government securities	£ 210,500,000
(B) Other securities	£ 15,900,000
Notes, gold and silver coin	£ 24,500,000
Notes in circulation	£ 1,126,300,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	10.27 p c
(A) Other deposits include bankers	£ 167,200,000
(B) Other securities include discounts and advances	£ 5,100,000
Total deposits	£ 238,200,000
Total Securities	£ 226,400,000

"BLESSINGS OF LIMITED MONARCHY"

Churchill Praises England's Constitution

LONDON, May 18.

Following the formal conclusion of the Empire Conference, the Australian club in London to-day gave a luncheon in honour of the Australian Prime Minister Mr. John Curtin which was attended by the Governor-General Designate of Australia, the Duke of Gloucester, Prime Minister Churchill and most members of the British Cabinet.

Mr. Churchill, supporting the toast to Mr. Curtin proposed by the Duke of Gloucester, said:

"These are days when in other countries ignorant people are often disposed to imagine that progress consists in converting oneself from monarchy into a republic. In this country we have known the blessings of limited monarchy.

Great traditional and constitutional chains of events have come to make the constitution unwritten which enables our affairs to proceed on what I believe are superior levels of smooth and democratic progress."

Mortality In India During 1943

LONDON, May 18.

Mr. Amery replying to a question in the House of Commons said he would ask the Government of India whether recorded statistics of mortality during 1943 were yet available for Provinces other than Bengal.

Mr. Sorensen asked if particulars secured would be circulated in the House of Commons.

Mr. Amery: These are all matters for Provincial Governments in India to deal with. The question is a very wide one and there is no indication in it of places or date.

Mr. Sorensen: Would it not be of some value to secure these figures.

Mr. Amery: Yes, but these are matters within the competence of Governments in India.—Reuter.

NEW CENSORSHIP CODE IN AUSTRALIA

Court Settles Legality "While Out" Of News

SYDNEY, May 18.

The acting Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. Francis M. Forde announced to-day that the Crown censorship case against Consolidated Press to test the legality of leaving blank spaces in newspapers where news had been cut had been satisfactorily settled out of court.

Under the settlement a new censorship code has been drawn up defining the principles governing censorship, the first of which is that censorship should be imposed exceptionally for reasons of security.—Reuter.

GRISHMA VYAYAM TALIM CENTRE AT MUNDNA

(From Our Correspondent)

BHUJ, May 19.

Sjt. Badrinath Shukla, Secretary, Hindu Sabha, Baroda, who resides in Kutch for the last 20 years, has started many akhadas and gymnastic classes in towns and villages of Kutch. Lately (on 18th May) he started a Grishma Vyayam Talim Centre at Mundna where school boys and girls and teachers for Akhadas will be trained. The opening ceremony of this class was performed by Sjt. Premji Raghavji Chothani.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

In an exclusive interview (Fictitious of course!) Sir H. P. Mody said: "I warned Dalal that Mahatma Gandhi was not likely to fast again."

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Beverley Nichols, now back in England, has finished his book on India, which I understand is to be called HEIL HINDU! It is expected to be a hair-raiser, according to one report. Others think it will be a sequel to Katherine Mayo's MOTHER INDIA. Whatever it is it will be read in this country, because we like reading books that ATTACK us. I expect to see various All-India Mahasabha institutions protesting against this book. Mr. Savarkar may also begin writing his defence of Hinduism, because whatever Mr. Nichols may say about Hinduism is likely to shock a great majority of that community here. I await the book with amusement.

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While in India Mr. Beverley Nichols often acted as a sort of spokesman for the "Smiths of England". It was his phrase and he used it at a meeting of the Progressive Group which he addressed. I often wonder what the Smiths of England have to say about Beverley Nichols speaking on their behalf.

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NOTICE

THE CONTROLLER OF RATIONING, the Joint Controller of Rationing and the Deputy Controller of Rationing have been authorised under Government Notifications Nos. 75(1)|II and 76(1)|II(a), dated the 16th May, 1944 (vide Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated the 17th May, 1944) to receive applications for, grant, and cancel licences under the Bombay Retail Trade Control and Licensing Order, 1942, and the Foodgrains Control Order, 1942, in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District, vice the Assistant Director of Civil Supplies (Licences) which post has been abolished. (8884)

G.I.P. RAILWAY

WANTED from 15th June, 19[illegible] LADY STENOGRAPHER for General Manager's Office, Bombay. Temporary post, possibility of permanency, on salary of Rs. 300 250 or 400 per mensem plus 10% allowance according to qualifications. Provident Fund, Passes, Leave, etc. in accordance with Railway rules for permanent service. Minimum qualifications Matriculation, Senior or Junior Cambridge Certificate or equivalent. Shorthand speed 120, Typing 60 words a minute. Required to pass a medical examination for fitness. Only those with experience of filing systems and able to conduct ordinary correspondence need apply with copies of testimonials in the first instance in writing to the Secretary to the General Manager, G.I.P. Railway, Victoria, Bombay. Appointment will be on probation for a period up to 6 months. (8867)

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U. P. Engineering Institute, Thakurganj, Lucknow: Applications invited from I.Sc. (Maths. Phys. Chem.) candidates and Overseers of recognised Eng Schools for Courses: A.M.I.E., A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I Struct. E., A.M.I. Mech E., and A.M.I.E.E Examinations Recognised by Govt. of India—Session July 1944. Competent Staff. Hostel arrangements. Scholarships. Free Prospectus from Director. (8536)

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G. I. P. RAILWAY

BOMBAY-POONA TRAIN SERVICE

IT IS NOTIFIED that from 22nd to 27th May 1944, both days inclusive, 33 Dn. and 34 Up Poona Passengers will run to the following timings:

33 DOWN			34 UP
10-20	D.	Bombay	A. 17-10
11-39	A.	Kalyan	D. 15-48
11-52	D.		A. 15-38
13-00	A.	Karjat	D. 14-25
13-5	D.		A. 14-20½
13-54	A.	Lonavla	D. 13-33
13-59	D.		A. 13-24½
15-19	A.	Kirkee	D. 12-4
15-29	D.		A 11-59
15-47	A.	Poona	D. 11-45

(8870)

GENERAL MANAGER'S DEPARTMENT, B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY, BOMBAY.

WANTED.

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill 9 temporary posts of clerk in grade Rs. 30—50—80 (new scale)—6 posts in the Compilation Office, Ajmer, and 3 posts in the General Manager's Office, Bombay.

Age not less than 18 years and not more than 25 years on 1st June, 1944. Minimum educational qualifications—Matriculation or Junior Cambridge or school leaving certificate of a recognized University or equivalent examination.

Minimum pay Rs. 40 for non-Graduates and Rs. 46 for Graduates. Allowances: Ajmer—Dearness Allowance Rs. 11 per mensem, Bombay—Dearness allowance Rs. 16 per mensem, and House and Local allowance totalling 20 per cent. of salary up to and including Rs. 50 per mensem and 15 per cent on salary of Rs. 51 and over.

Forms of application are obtainable from either the Secretary to the General Manager, Bombay, or the Compilation Officer, Ajmer, on payment of Re. 1, by Money Order only. Full name and address of the applicant and the post for which applied should be entered in Block Capital letters on Money Order coupons, otherwise Money Orders are liable to be refused. Last date of receipt of Money Order is 15th June, 1944. Cost of application will in no case be refunded.

Candidates called for interview and examination should attend at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply offer of employment. No correspondence will be entertained. Before appointment candidates will have to be passed as medically fit by one of the Medical Officers of the Railway. (8847)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. P5952 for 4 partly paid (Rs. 125/- paid up) shares Nos. 152930|152933 in the Imperial Bank of India (Bombay Register) issued in the name of the late Mr. Hajee Aboo Hajee Tayeb has been LOST or MISLAID. Due notice has been given to the Bank and all persons are warned against dealing with the Share Certificate in any way HALIMABAI HAJEE ABOO HAJEE TAYEB.

Succession Certificate Holder in repect of the above shares. 8793

THE MUSLIM UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

(Minto Circle)

THE NEW SESSION will commence on the 20th of May, 1944. New classes will be formed and the regular work will be started on the 20th of May, 1944. The School will remain open till the end of July. Long vacation will begin on the 1st of August and the School will reopen on the 1st of October, 1944.

Guardians are requested to send their wards to join the School in time. For admission and prospectus apply to the Headmaster, Muslim University High School, Minto Circle, Aligarh. (8885)

WANTED

APPLICATIONS for posts of sorters in Railway Mail Service at Bombay, Poona, Bhusaval, Manmad, etc. from candidates, who are Matriculates. Minimum pay including allowances at Bombay Rs. 68/-, at Poona Rs. 54/- and at other places Rs. 45/- Three months' training at Poona on a stipend of Rs. 30/- per month compulsory Age limit 19 to 21 years—For Muslims upto 22 years and for scheduled castes upto 24 years. Service temporary. Apply to Superintendent of the R.M.S. "B" Division Poona. (8882)

MILITARY ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

(Office of the Controller of Naval Accounts)
Bombay.

WANTED GRADUATES and Matriculates between 18 and 28 years of age to serve as Temporary clerks.

Graduates will be allowed pay Rs. 62/- p.m. in scale Rs. 45-50-4-70-5-150 and non-graduates Rs. 50/- in scale Rs. 36-2-60-2-70.

In addition, local allowance at Rs. 10/- at Bombay and dearness allowance at the rates admissible to Central Government servants will be admissible.

Selected candidates will be paid single inter-class Railway fare from place of residence to the place of appointment. Appointments will be mostly in Bombay only and there is no liability for service overseas. Transfers to other stations likely to be rare.

Applications in candidate's own handwriting with copies of certificates, etc., should be addressed to the Controller of Naval Accounts, Maneckji Wadia Building, Esplanade Road, Bombay (Post Box 589). (8886)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

VICTORIA JUBILEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

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Session 1944-45

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SHORT COURSES

Classes held on SATURDAY MORNINGS:—

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For men working in Engineering Works. Two years' course, comprising four terms—Fees Rs. 20/- per term.

2.—TEXTILE APPRENTICE CLASSES:—
For men working in mills. Two years' Course—Either Spinning or Weaving. Fees Rs. 45/- per annum.

Entrance Examination for new admissions on Saturday 3rd June.

3.—WIREMEN APPRENTICE CLASSES—
Instruction in Marathi as well as English. Six months' Course. Fees Rs. 20/-. New Classes start on 10th June. No Entrance Examination.

Classes held on Tuesday & Friday EVENINGS:—

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
Suit No. 1250 of 1939.

HAMBIRRAO BALAJI KALE and others .. Plaintiffs.
Versus
DATTATRAYA BAYAJI KALE and others .. Defendants.

PURSUANT TO DECREE, dated the 24th day of September, 1942, and Judge's Order, dated 31st March, 1944, the following immovable properties will be sold in one lot or in the alternative in 3 lots by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at the site of the premises at De Lisle Road on Thursday the 15th day of June, 1944, at 4 p.m. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS

LOT I

ALL that piece of Government Foras land with dwelling house thereon situate, lying and being without the Fort of Bombay on the West side of DeLisle Road, admeasuring 1,250 square yards but according to the Collectors Record 1,150 Square Yards or thereabouts and bearing Collectors New No. G|13764 and H|13764, New Survey Nos. 4|3467, 5|3467 and Cadastral Survey No. 3|1944 of Byculla Division of Municipal E Ward Nos. 7210, 7211, 7212 and 7213 and Street Nos. 618, 618A, 618A, 618B, 620, 620A, 620B and 620C and E Ward No. 7208(7) and Street No. 616A.

LOT II

ALL that piece of Government Foras land with the dwelling house thereon situate, lying and being without the Fort of Bombay on the West side of DeLisle Road, admeasuring 1296 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Collector's New Nos. D|13764 and K|13764 and New Survey Nos. 1C|3467 and 1C4|3467 and Cadastral Survey No. 1|1944 of Byculla Division and Municipal E Ward Nos. 7214, 7215, 7216 and Street Nos. 616 P, 6160 and 616N New.

LOT III

ALL that piece of Government Foras land with dwelling house thereon situate, without the Fort of Bombay, on the West side of DeLisle Road, admeasuring 1145 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Collector's New Nos. F|13764 and New Survey No. 3|3467 and Cadastral Survey No. 5|1944 of Byculla Division and Municipal E Ward Nos. 7209(3), 7208(6), 7208(5) and Street Nos. 616D, 616E, 616F and 616G (New).

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. Matubhai Jamietram and Madan, Attorneys for the Defendants 5 and 6 abovenamed at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 1st day of May, 1944
(Sd.) ARMAND F SEQUEIRA
Commissioner.
(8878)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE TATA IRON AND STEEL COMPANY, LIMITED

LOST OR MISLAID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificates in respect of two Deferred shares Nos. D-2043 and D-2057 along with transfer deeds signed by Sir Kikabhai Premchand, Kt., as transferor and Mr. Pran Nath Baveja as transferee, have been lost, mislaid or stolen from the Office of the Company.

Any claim in respect of the aforesaid shares should be notified to the Company, Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, within one month from the date hereof. No claim thereafter will be considered and duplicate share certificates will be issued by the Company in the name of Sir Kikabhai Premchand Kt., and the two Deferred shares thereafter will be transferred to the name of the purchaser, Mr. Pran Nath Baveja.

Bombay, dated this 18th day of May, 1944.

TATA SONS, LTD.,
Managing Agents.
A. R DALAL,
Director.
8887

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of a Medical Officer in charge Municipal Tuberculosis Clinics at Foras Road and Lalbaug. Applicants must possess a medical degree registrable under the Bombay Medical Act VI of 1912 and experience of at least five years in conducting Tuberculosis Dispensaries, Clinics and Hospitals. A diploma in post-graduate course in Tuberculosis from an Indian or British University or one of the Royal Colleges will be considered an additional qualification. The applicants who are not in Municipal service should be under 40 years of age.

The pay of the post is Rs. 400-20-600+Rs. 40/- Conveyance Allowance per month without the right of private practice of any kind. The selected candidate will be appointed on one year's probation in the first instance and will be confirmed thereafter on approved service. He will be entitled to the benefits of the Municipal Leave Regulations and Provident Fund.

Applications stating age, nationality, qualifications and previous experience especially in Tuberculosis and accompanied by copies of testimonials and certificates of age and physical fitness should be made on prescribed form to be obtained from the Office of the Undersigned on payment of annas eight so as to reach him on or before 17th June, 1944.

Persons in Municipal service are eligible to apply.

Canvassing directly or indirectly will disqualify the applicant.

B. C. DASGUPTA,
Executive Health Officer,
Bombay Municipality.

Public Health Deptt.,
Bombay, 18-5-1944.
(8895)

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. PANDURANG DHUNDIRAJ PATANKAR has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to my client free from all incumbrances. Any person having any claim of whatsoever nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date of this notice, failing which the sale will be completed without regard to such claims if any which will be considered as waived and abandoned.

SCHEDULED OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land bearing plot No. 448 S. S. No. VII Khar and admeasuring 631 Square Yards with building standing thereon situate lying and being at Fourteenth Road, Khar Taluka South Salsette, District Bombay Suburban in the Sub-Registration District of Bandra.

C. H. CHHAYA.
Advocate for Purchaser.

5th Road, Khar,
Bombay No. 21.
(8871)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CHAMPSEY VISSONJI and VELJI CHAMPSEY trading as Lalji Thackersey & Co., have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

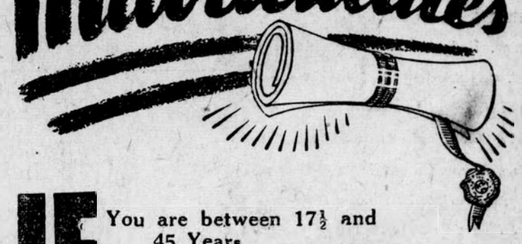
All persons having any right or claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage equitable security, sale, gift lease lien charge, possession, trust, maintenance essement, bequest or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Medows House, 39, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuages tenements or dwelling houses standing thereon situate at Kirol, Taluka Salsette of the Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra, bearing Entry No. 502, Survey No 41, Pot Nos 5-6-7-8-9 and Faini Nos. 2 and 3 assessed by the Ghatkopar Kirol Municipality, under Ward C House Nos. 221A, 221B, 221D, 221E and 221F and containing by admeasurement 3739½ Square Yards or thereabouts and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Jagjivan Dayal, on or towards the West partly by the property of Parvatibai, widow of Shivji Shamji Joshi and partly by the property of Manekial A. Mehta, on or towards the North by the property of Padamsey Narayen and others and on or towards the South by the Bombay Agra Road. Dated this 20th day of May, 1944.

KOTHARE & CO.,
Attorneys for the Purchaser.
(8879)

Matriculates



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